

Notice of Allowability

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Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to response filed 09/07/07.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-18.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-18 allowed.
2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: With respect to independent claims 1 and 8-18, the instant invention is directed to a data transmission system for distributing predetermined data through transmission paths, a data transmitting apparatus for transmitting predetermined data through transmission paths, a data receiving apparatus for receiving predetermined data through transmission paths, a data transmitting method for distributing predetermined data through transmission paths, a data transmission system for transmitting moving picture data files through a transmission paths, a data transmitting apparatus for transmitting moving picture data files through a transmission paths, a data receiving apparatus for receiving predetermined data through transmission paths, a data transmitting method for transmitting moving picture data files through transmission paths, a data transmission system for transmitting movie contents files through satellite transponders, a data transmitting apparatus for transmitting movie content files through satellite transponders, a data receiving apparatus for receiving movie content files through satellite transponders and a data transmission method for transmitting movie contents files through satellite transponders. The relevant prior art of record, such as **Sie et al (6,973,662)** discloses method for providing programming distribution and transmits divisional parts of the programming through different networks. **Huizer et al (5,875,303)** discloses method and arrangement for transmitting an interactive audiovisual (AV)

program where a Server (1) stores sectors of AV program in the private section of the transport stream and a Receiver (2), which extracts the sectors from the transport stream and reassembles the sectors accordingly. **McMahon (7,020,195)** discloses layered coding and decoding of image data where divisional data files can be restored into original data when a predetermined number of packets are removed by the receiving apparatus from a group of packets generated by the data transmitting apparatus. **Tillman et al (6,496,980)** discloses method of providing replay on demand for streaming digital multimedia. However, neither **Sie, Huizer, McMahon** nor **Tillman** and any of the cited references teach or suggest, alone or in combination the feature of "...where the divisional data files can be restored into original data when a predetermined number of packets are removed by the data receiving apparatus from a group of packets generated by the data transmitting apparatus," as recited in combination with other features of independent claims 1, 8, 9, 11-13 and 17; and "...restoring the divisional data files into original data when a predetermined number of packets are removed from a group of packets" as recited in combination with other features of independent claim 10; "...restoring the divisional distribution data files into the moving picture data file when a predetermined number of packets are removed from a group of packets" as recited in combination with other features of independent claim 14; and "...the divisional distribution data files can be restored into the movie contents file when a predetermined number of packets are removed by the data receiving apparatus from a group of packets generated by the data transmitting apparatus" as recited in combination with other features of independent claims 15 and 16.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

3. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Geer et al (6,788,882) disclose systems and methods for storing a plurality of video streams on RAM and time-and channel-based retrieval.

Aramizu et al (6,493,356) disclose segmentation and reassembly system for ATM communication network improved in throughput.

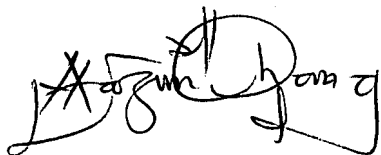
Longworth et al (7,016,951) disclose system and method for network security.

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to **Annan Q. Shang** whose telephone number is **571-272-7355**. The examiner can normally be reached on **700am-400pm**.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, **Christopher S. Kelley** can be reached on **571-272-7331**. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is **571-273-8300**.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Annan Q. Shang', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Annan Q. Shang